**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—The Chief Engineer investigated the matter and has submitted his report. It is under the consideration of the Government.

## Avenue trees.

**134. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are avenue trees along the main road from Narakkal to Pallippuram ;

(b) are the Government aware that pedestrians using the road are experiencing great hardship during summer ;

(c) do the Government intend to remedy the evil ?

**Mr. I. Raman Menon.**—(a) There are only a very few avenue trees.

(b) Yes.

(c) Arrangements will be made for planting as soon as the road is improved.

## Road between Narakkal and Pallippuram.

**135. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what is the length of the road now proposed to be metalled between Narakkal and Pallippuram ;

(b) when do the Government intend to put up the bridges over the canals that cut across the road and when do they expect to finish their construction ;

(c) is the metal already collected on the road side ;

(d) when do the Government intend to spread the metal ;

(e) is there any necessity to spread the metal before the bridges are constructed ;

(f) what will be the width of the metalled road ;

(g) when do the Government intend to extend the road from Narakkal to Vypeen ?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—(a) 5 miles and 4 furlongs.

(b) Estimates will be prepared in 1107 and the work started in 1108, if funds permit.

(c) Metal is being collected.

(d) The metal will be spread soon after the completion of collection in 1107.

(e) Yes.

(h) 16 feet.

(g) The question of extension of the road will be considered soon after the survey now in progress is over.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Are the Government aware that the road will be useless for vehicular traffic unless the bridge is constructed?

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**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—(e). May I know the reason?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—If the metal is not spread, it will be dissipated.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Was there any necessity to collect the metal now?

**Mr. V.K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—Yes.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—What was the necessity?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon**—To make the road.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—You spread the metal and waste it. Was there any necessity to collect it *now*?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—The metalling of road is one of the works connected with the making of roads and the question of bridges will be taken up shortly and further I may state that this work was taken up as one of the relief works and therefore metal collection is a most important thing to give work for the coolies.

## Public jetties in Narakkal Constituency.

**136. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—(a) Are the Government aware that the line boats are the chief means of communication for the people living in the Narakkal Constituency;

(b) what is the length of the Constituency north to south;

(c) is there any Government jetty in the Constituency for the line boats to land passengers and things; if any exist, where is it;

(d) are there public paths leading to the existing jetties put up by private persons?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—(a) Yes.

(b) About 14 miles.

(c) No.

(d) No.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Have the Government any idea to construct public jetties?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—Yes, Government think that public jetties for the convenience of boat traffic are essential.

**Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Do the Government intend to construct public jetties?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—Yes.

## Bridge in Nedungad.

**137. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—(a) Are the Government aware that the people of Nedungad are put to great hardship and inconvenience owing to the absence of a bridge connecting it with the main-land to the west;

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